

**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians  
Tribal Council Legislative Meeting  
915 Emmet Street, Administrative Building  
April 18, 1999  
9:00 a.m.**

**Closed Session:** Yes.

**Called To Order:** Meeting was called to order at 10:09 a.m.

**Opening Ceremony:** Opening ceremony was conducted by Doris Adams.

**Council Present:** Shirley Oldman, Frank Ettawageshik, Rita Shananaquet, Alice Yellowbank, Dorothy Gasco

**Council Absent:** Councilor Laughlin, Councilor Anthony, both excused.

**Staff Present:**

**Guests Present:** See attached list.

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Donna Minor-Budnik was sworn in as Appellate Justice by Judge Petoskey.

**Joint Meeting:** Joint meeting of Tribal Council and Tribal Judiciary

**Joint Meeting:** Joint meeting ended at 11:40 a.m.

**Council Arrives:** Councilor Laughlin arrived at 11:02 a.m. during joint meeting.

**Recess:** Called at 11:40 a.m. Meeting called back to order at 11:54 a.m.

**Motion by Councilor Laughlin and Supported by Councilor Gasco** to adopt the agenda as presented and amended.

**Vote:** 6 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED 1 (Councilor Anthony) ABSENT **Motion Carried**

**Motion by Councilor Yellowbank and Supported by Councilor Oldman** to go into closed session for legal and land issues at 12:10 p.m.

**Vote:** 6 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED 1 (Councilor Anthony) ABSENT **Motion Carried**

**Open Session:** Resumed at 1:05 p.m.

**Council Arrives:** Councilor Anthony arrived during closed session at 12:34 p.m.

**Public Comment:** Opened at 1:07 p.m. Harriet Booth as Elder's Council spoke regarding Elder's Center. Harriet Booth as Election Board Chairperson spoke on the petition and referendum. Bea Law thanked Council for hard work they do. She further commented on the petition and would like other members to be informed regarding the impact it will have on the tribe. She also stated that she would like to see a tribal member serve on the Ethics Committee. Regina Kiogima commented on Tribal Council proceedings.

**Written Statements:** Written statements were provided by Alice Yellowbank, Carol McFall, and Albert Colby Jr. These comments are available upon request

**Public Comment:** Public comment closed at 2:14 p.m.

**Recess:** Called at 2:14 p.m. Meeting called back to order at 3:30 p.m.

**Recess:** The April 18, 1999 Tribal Council meeting was recess at 3:30 p.m. to conduct budget hearings.

**Council Departs:** Councilor Laughlin departed at 3:31 p.m.

### **Year 2000 Budget Hearings**

From 3:31 p.m. until 5:05 p.m. Tribal Council conducted a FY 2000 budget hearing.

**Recess:** Tribal Council meeting resumes at 5:07 p.m.

**Recess:** Recess called at 5:10 p.m. Meeting called back to order at 5:23 p.m.

**Motion by Councilor Oldman and Supported by Councilor Yellowbank** to postpone minutes and phone polls to the May 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

**Vote:** 6 YES      0 NO      0 ABSTAINED      1 (Councilor Laughlin) ABSENT **Motion Carried**

**Motion by Councilor Gasco and Supported by Councilor Yellowbank** to postpone the Gaming Administration Statute to the June 13, 1999 Tribal Council meeting.

**Vote:** 6 YES      0 NO      0 ABSTAINED      1 (Councilor Laughlin) ABSENT **Motion Carried**

**Motion by Councilor Gasco and Supported by Councilor Yellowbank** to postpone the Personnel Policies to the May 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

**Vote:** 6 YES      0 NO      0 ABSTAINED      1 (Councilor Laughlin) ABSENT **Motion Carried**

**Motion by Councilor Oldman and Supported by Councilor Shananaquet** to postpone the Gaming Administration appointments until the matter of the legality of the March 29, 1999 meeting is resolved.

**Vote:** 6 YES      0 NO      0 ABSTAINED      1 (Councilor Laughlin) ABSENT **Motion Carried**

**Motion by Councilor Shananaquet and Supported by Councilor Yellowbank** to hold a regular meeting of the Tribal Council on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1999 starting at 9:00 with stipends to come from Development.

**Vote:** 6 YES      0 NO      0 ABSTAINED      1 (Councilor Laughlin) ABSENT **Motion Carried**

**Council Departs:** Councilor Anthony departed at 7:25 p.m.

**Motion by Councilor Yellowbank and Supported by Councilor Gasco** to place the Trust Fund Board Regulations on the legislative calendar.

**Vote:** 5 YES      0 NO      0 ABSTAINED      2 (Councilor Laughlin & Anthony) ABSENT **Motion Carried**

**Motion by Councilor Oldman and Supported by Councilor Yellowbank** to approve the three library grants and authorize the Tribal Chairman to sign.

**Vote:** 4 YES      1 (Councilor Shananaquet) NO      0 ABSTAINED      2 (Councilor Laughlin & Anthony) ABSENT **Motion Carried**

**Council Departs:** Councilor Gasco departed at 7:38 p.m.

**Motion by Councilor Oldman and Supported by Councilor Yellowbank** to authorize a payment in an amount up to \$28,887.87 for the Rehman Robson billing pending the Tribal Council Treasurer's review and approval.

**Vote:** 4 YES      0 NO      0 ABSTAINED      3 (Councilor's Laughlin, Gasco, Anthony) ABSENT **Motion Carried**

**Motion by Councilor Oldman and Supported by Councilor Shananaquet** to approve payment for the safety deposit box rental for the Gaming Regulatory background material at the National Bank of Detroit (NBD) from the Development Account.

**Vote:** 4 YES      0 NO      0 ABSTAINED      3 (Councilor's Laughlin, Gasco, Anthony) ABSENT **Motion Carried**

**Motion by Councilor Yellowbank and Supported by Councilor Shananaquet** to approve Election Board Budget Modification # 01 dated April 11, 1999.

**Vote:** 4 YES      0 NO      0 ABSTAINED      3 (Councilor's Laughlin, Gasco, Anthony) ABSENT **Motion Carried**

**Motion by Councilor Shananaquet and Supported by Councilor Yellowbank** to approve Tribal Court Budget Modification #01 dated 4-12-99

**Vote: 3 YES 1 (Councilor Oldman) NO 0 ABSTAINED 3 (Councilor's Laughlin, Gasco, Anthony) ABSENT Motion Carried**

**Motion by Councilor Oldman and Supported by Councilor Yellowbank** to reconsider previous motion.

**Vote: 4 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED 3 (Councilor's Laughlin, Gasco, Anthony) ABSENT Motion Carried**

**Motion by Councilor Oldman and Supported by Councilor Shananaquet** to not approve the Tribal Court Budget Modification #01 dated 4-12-99.

**Vote: 4 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED 3 (Councilor's Laughlin, Gasco, Anthony) ABSENT Motion Carried**

**Motion by Councilor Oldman and Supported by Councilor Yellowbank** to appoint Chairman Ettawageshik to the Architect Review Committee.

**Vote: 3 YES 0 NO 1 (Frank) ABSTAINED 3 (Councilor's Laughlin, Gasco, Anthony) ABSENT Motion Carried**

**Motion by Councilor Oldman and Supported by Councilor Shananaquet** to appoint Alice Yellowbank as alternate for the Architect Review committee.

**Vote: 3 YES 0 NO 1 (Yellowbank) ABSTAINED 3 (Councilor's Laughlin, Gasco, Anthony) ABSENT Motion Carried**

**Motion by Councilor Oldman and Supported by Councilor Shananaquet** to approve travel, stipend, and per diem for Councilor Yellowbank to attend the National Congress of American Indians in Vancouver, Canada July 19, 1999 through July 24, 1999 with stipend to come from Development.

**Vote: 3 YES 0 NO 1 (Yellowbank) ABSTAINED 3 (Councilor's Laughlin, Anthony, Gasco) ABSENT Motion Carried**

**Motion by Councilor Yellowbank and Supported by Councilor Oldman** to approve travel and per diem for the Tribal Chairman to attend the National Congress of American Indians in Vancouver, Canada July 19, 1999 through July 24, 1999.

**Vote: 3 YES 0 NO 1 (Chairman Ettawageshik) ABSTAINED 3 (Councilor's Laughlin, Anthony, Gasco) ABSENT Motion Carried**

**Motion by Councilor Shananaquet and Supported by Councilor Yellowbank** to approve signing Rehman Robson contract dated April 1, 1999 becoming effective May 1, 1999, from the April 11, 1999 Tribal Council meeting packet.

**Vote: 4 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED 3 (Councilor's Laughlin, Anthony, Gasco) ABSENT Motion Carried**

**Motion by Councilor Yellowbank and Supported by Councilor Oldman** to accept the Tribal Administrator's report dated 4-18-99 as presented and amended.

**Vote: 4 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED 3 (Councilor's Laughlin, Anthony, Gasco) ABSENT Motion Carried**

**Motion by Councilor Oldman and Supported by Councilor Yellowbank** to approve #04189801 Joint Resolution of the Tribal Council and the Trust Fund Board of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians requesting release of the tribe's share of judgment funds under the Michigan Indian Land Claims Settlement Act and authorizing disbursement of such funds in accordance with the tribes plan as approved by the Secretary of Interior.

**Vote: 3 YES 1 (Councilor Shananaquet) NO 0 ABSTAINED 3 (Councilor's Laughlin, Anthony, Gasco) ABSENT Motion Carried**

**Motion by Councilor Shananaquet and Supported by Councilor Yellowbank to approve Resolution #04189902 that establishes the Ad Hoc Committee for Tribal Council Ethics Policy.**

**Vote: 4 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED**  
**ABSENT Motion Carried**

**3 (Councilor's Laughlin, Anthony, Gasco)**

**Motion by Councilor Yellowbank and Supported by Councilor Shananaquet to approve the contract with Dr. Scarf and authorize Tribal Chairman and Health Director to sign.**

**Vote: 4 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED**  
**ABSENT Motion Carried**

**3 (Councilor's Laughlin, Anthony, Gasco)**

**Motion by Councilor Oldman and Supported by Councilor Shananaquet to approve the appointment of Michelle Forman to the Indian Child Welfare Commission with that term starting today.**

**Vote: 4 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED**  
**Motion Carried**

**3 (Councilor's Laughlin, Anthony, Gasco) ABSENT**

**Motion by Councilor Shananaquet and Supported by Councilor Oldman to authorize the Tribal Chairman to sign the lease on the house at 6901 Tim Buck Two Trail, Cheboygan Michigan for the Housing Commission.**

**Vote: 4 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED**  
**Motion Carried**

**3 (Councilor's Laughlin Anthony, Gasco) ABSENT**

**Motion by Councilor Oldman and Supported by Councilor Yellowbank to adjourn the Tribal council meeting at 9:10 p.m.**

**Vote: 4 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED**  
**Motion Carried**

**3 (Councilor's Laughlin, Anthony, Gasco) ABSENT**

**These minutes have been read & approved as written:**

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**Barry Laughlin, Tribal Council Secretary**

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**Date**